

## Union Calendar No. 445

106<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 4446

**[Report No. 106–694, Parts I and II]**

To ensure that the Secretary of Energy may continue to exercise certain authorities under the Price-Anderson Act through the Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environment, Safety, and Health.

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 15, 2000

Mr. BARTON of Texas (for himself and Mr. BOUCHER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

JUNE 23, 2000

Reported from the Committee on Commerce, referred to the Committee on Armed Services for a period ending not later than July 21, 2000, for consideration of such provisions of the bill as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(c), rule X

JULY 21, 2000

Reported from the Committee on the Armed Services with amendments, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italie*]

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. EXERCISE OF CERTAIN PRICE-ANDERSON ACT**  
 4 **AUTHORITIES THROUGH THE ASSISTANT**  
 5 **SECRETARY OF ENERGY FOR ENVIRONMENT,**  
 6 **SAFETY, AND HEALTH.**

7 (a) CIVIL MONETARY PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS  
 8 OF DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY SAFETY REGULATIONS.—  
 9 Section 234A of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42  
 10 U.S.C. 2282a) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
 11 lowing new subsection:

12 “e. The Secretary may, notwithstanding any other  
 13 provision of law, exercise any authority under this section  
 14 through the Assistant Secretary of Energy for Environ-  
 15 ment, Safety, and Health.”.

16 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
 17 subsection (a) shall take effect on March 1, 2000.

18 **SECTION 1. EXERCISE OF CERTAIN PRICE-ANDERSON ACT**  
 19 **AUTHORITIES THROUGH THE ASSISTANT**  
 20 **SECRETARY OF ENERGY FOR ENVIRONMENT,**  
 21 **SAFETY, AND HEALTH OR THE ADMINIS-**  
 22 **TRATOR FOR NUCLEAR SECURITY.**

23 *Section 234A of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42*  
 24 *U.S.C. 2282a) is amended by adding at the end the fol-*  
 25 *lowing new subsection:*

1       *“e. With respect to any element of the Department of*  
2 *Energy other than the National Nuclear Security Adminis-*  
3 *tration, the Secretary may exercise any authority under*  
4 *this section through the Assistant Secretary of Energy for*  
5 *Environment, Safety, and Health. With respect to the Na-*  
6 *tional Nuclear Security Administration, the Secretary may*  
7 *exercise any authority under this section only through the*  
8 *Administrator for Nuclear Security, consistent with the del-*  
9 *egation authority of the Secretary under section 202(c)(3)*  
10 *of the Department of Energy Organization Act (as added*  
11 *by section 3202 of the National Nuclear Security Adminis-*  
12 *tration Act (title XXXII of Public Law 106–65; 113 Stat.*  
13 *954; 42 U.S.C. 7132(c)).”.*

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to clarify the manner in which the Secretary of Energy may exercise certain authorities under the Price-Anderson Act with respect to the National Nuclear Security Administration and other elements of the Department of Energy.”.

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